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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 18, 2007, please reconsider the above-captioned application for the following reasons:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper.

Any Amendments to the Claims are found in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.